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Hospitals given a clean bill of health

Staff praised after surprise inspection

By **NEIL DOCKING**

INSPECTORS have given East Lancashire's hospitals a clean bill of health following an unannounced visit.

The Care Quality Commission's inspectors made spot-checks when they visited at the end of January. No breaches of any regulations were found.

East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust said the findings were the result of its improved performance in the control and prevention of infection.

The nine areas of inspection covered the infection control procedures, including cleaning, handwashing and use of antibacterial gels, and policies on the use of antibiotics.

The assessors scrutinised staff uniforms, decontamination processes for instruments and equipment and isolation facilities, and checked that information was available to patients and visitors.

They spoke to staff and patients about their views on infection control in the trust.

Lynn Wissett, deputy chief executive at the trust, said: "The pride and commitment of our staff shone through during the inspection."

No patients in any of the trust's four hospitals have developed MRSA in more than six weeks, while a spokesman said the numbers of patients developing clostridium difficile, a more common infection, remain "well below" the Government's maximum thresholds.

Art: Pavilion project proves POPular

CREATIVE: Three-year-old Assia El Sakka and her mum, Riham El Baz, work on a T-shirt design at the POP art (Project Our Place) scheme at The Pavilions in Church Street, Blackburn Picture: COLIN HORNE

Police start crackdown on speeders

A SPEEDING crackdown is taking place in Darwen.

Launched by Darwen's Neighbourhood Policing Team, officers are also targeting motorists using a mobile phone while driving, and those who park dangerously outside schools.

The checks are part of, Operation Take Off in which officers will be speaking to drivers about road safety issues and carrying out roadside checks to make sure they are driving safely. They will also be carrying out spot-checks to ensure parents park safely as they drop their children off for school.

CHECKS: Speed is part of the safety crackdown

The action follows public concern voiced at community meetings including Neighbourhood Watch and PACT.

Community beat manager PC Dean Briggs said: "Everyone has a part to play in reducing accidents and making our roads safer and this operation aims to raise awareness."

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Tower the target for charity trudge

PLANS for this year's Tower Trudge organised by the Rotary Club of Darwen are under way.

The 10-mile trek from Sunnyhurst Wood to Darwen Tower is on Sunday, May 23, at 10am. A five-mile route on the course is also available.

Gil Riley, secretary of the Darwen club, said: "The Tower Trudge gives the people of Darwen the chance to keep fit, discover the wonderful heritage of the moors and raise valuable charity funds.

"Rotary is committed to serving local communities and giving opportunities for self-funding and support."

Dip into salsa...

Darwen's Cuban Salsa Group is holding a party night from 8pm on March 5 at St Joseph's Church Hall, Bolton Road. Salsa lessons take place from 9pm to 9.45pm. Admission costs £5 for adults and £2 for children.

Can you credit it?

People receiving pension credit are being urged to claim extra money to help with heating bills.

The Cold Weather Payment scheme pays out £25 for each week that temperatures drop to zero or below for seven consecutive days. People should contact the office that pays their pension credit, Hyndburn Council said.

Going to States was an ice move

By **NAZIA PARVEEN**

ROUTINE: Jamie and Melyssa practise a routine in the USA

MORE than two years after heading to the States, an ice dancer said he still has his eye on the top spot.

Jamie Burns, 22, formerly of Merchants Landing, Blackburn, headed overseas to find a dancing partner and struck gold with British Canadian, Melyssa James.

Jamie, who trained at Blackburn Ice Arena and was ranked third in the UK, headed out to America in 2007 to boost his dream of competing against the best in the world.

The ice dancer did not make his Olympic bid this year, but he has won a number of Stateside competitions with his new partner, including the Cherry Blossom tournament, Virginia, and the Skate Wilmington in Delaware, in 2009.

And he is hopeful that 2014 will be the couple's year.

Jamie, who lives in Maryland on the East Coast and trains five days a week, said: "It has been a great move because ice skating out here is a lot more high profile and the facilities are fantastic.

"I was really happy when I found Melyssa and even though we missed out on the Olympics this year we are still really young so I'm not too worried and we will keep trying."

Jamie, who will be back in Blackburn next month, to train with the British performance team and visit his family in Leyland.

Although, his move to the States has done wonders for his ice dancing he said he misses Lancashire, especially, the pies, fish and chips.

He said: "I do really miss it and I try and come back as often as possible as many of my friends still live in Blackburn."

The duo, who also won competitions in Slovakia and the Czech Republic as part of the British Ice Skating team last year, hope to secure a place in the 2014 Winter Olympics.

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Picture this: Youngsters quick on the draw

SKETCHES: Ela and Ola Young (above) were among a group of young people who sketched town centre scenes in an event at Pop Art in the Pavillions, Church Street, Blackburn

Takeover means 50 security jobs

A SECURITY firm is creating 50 jobs in Accrington after a takeover bid was accepted.

FGH Security bosses have vowed to create management positions as well as operational roles at Guardhall Group's former premises in Cannon Street in the next two months.

The Lancaster-based firm is moving as part of wider plans to become of the largest security suppliers in the North West. Bosses at FGH Security, which specialise in manned security services, said buying Guard-hall would allow them to expand to East Lancashire and Manchester.

Guardhall Group has been operating in Accrington for more than 27 years and the centre will be rebanded as FGH Guardhall as it is incorporated into existing FGH Security operations.

Once rebranded FGH will offer new services based around alarm monitoring and installation for businesses and homes and CCTV installation and monitoring.

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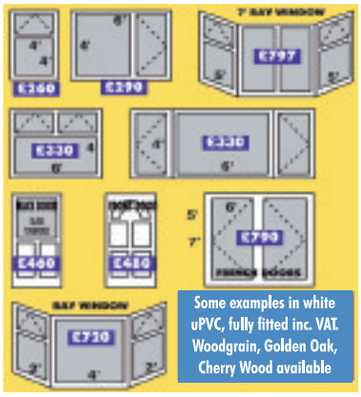

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The joint venture is the first of its kind in the North West.

Age Concern is open on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday from 9.30am to 3pm and on Tuesdays from 9.30am to 12.30pm. Citizens Advice is open on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10am to 3pm.

The council's advice service and Twin Valley Homes are open Monday to Friday, and the Neighbourhoods and Learning Service is open Wednesday to Friday by appointment. The Pension Service holds fortnightly Thursday surgeries from 1pm to 3pm.

Benefit queries, including housing and council tax, can be made throughout the week.

Evacuee Brian's thank you

AN AUTHOR has thanked the people of Hyndburn for the welcome he experienced as a wartime evacuee in a new autobiography.

Nine-year-old Londoner Brian Lynch was placed on a train in 1940 with his younger brother, baby sister and his mum, who was determined to find a place to stay with her family.

The 79-year-old said he still vividly remembers the journey, and decided to share his story.

Brian, a retired journalist, said the family was one of the largest on the train and knew it would be a tall order to find a place where they could stay together.

The children were told by their mother that it was 'all or none' – and that they would have to return to London if they were not housed together.

LOOKING BACK: Brian in the war years, and now

Luckily, they were collected by an Oswaldtwistle lady 'with a posh car and big manor house' – far from the grim prospect they had feared when they had waved farewell to their father that morning. Brian said: "We stumbled off the train onto a platform where we were met by a lot of kindly ladies all talking like Gracie Fields."

The family was taken in by the 'wonderful' Mrs Broughton, a mill owner's widow who lived at Stanhill Villa, who asked Brian's mum if she would be prepared to help out at the house in exchange for taking them in.

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Fan's charity auction

YOUNGSTERS from a welfare centre in India are to benefit from an association with Blackburn Rovers – and help from a Bolton Wanderers fan!

A signed shirt and ball from Ewood Park are among the items in a charity auction to raise funds for the centre and a hospital.

The man behind the fund-raising is Keith Dawson, a Wanderers follower and owner of the Fell and Mountain outdoor shop, Accrington.

With his wife, June, and close friend, Nick Daly, Keith has spent the past 10 years doing voluntary work in India.

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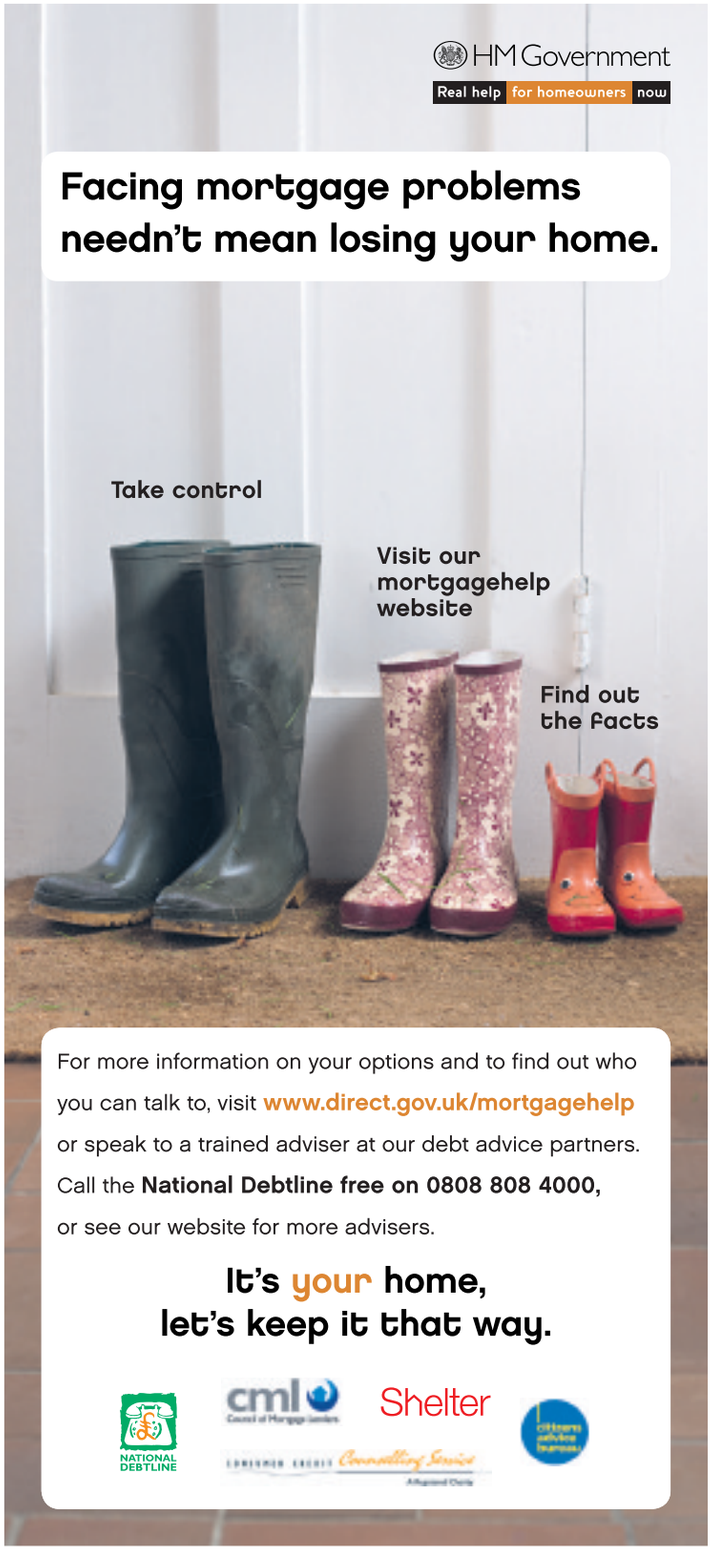

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FOOD: Mr Hague and Jake Berry with Kathleen Lomax and Diana Taylor at Derwent Hall

Hague: We've constituency in our sights

Shadow Foreign Secretary William Hague claimed the Tories were winning over East Lancashire on a campaigning visit to Darwen.

Mr Hague toured the market and drew the raffle at Derwent Hall luncheon club.

He said: "We have undoubtedly made a huge amount of progress. The days of someone from London pitching up six weeks before an election are long gone."

Parliamentary candidate Jake Berry showed Mr Hague around the Conservatives'new office in Railway Road.

Town centre boost

AN ambitious three-year blueprint has been unveiled which aims to increase the number of shoppers visiting Darwen.

At the first meeting of the new town council's development commi-ttee, it was decided that its priority should be to increase footfall and make Darwen a place that will attract new shoppers, new business and new employment.

In year one, the council hopes to increase footfall in the town centre by 25 per cent.

In the second year the council hopes to attract new business with less than five per cent of shops and stalls empty, and increase footfall by a further 25 per cent.

In year three, it is hoped there will be less than two per cent of shops in the town centre empty, to attract major companies to the area.

A list of projects has been drawn up which includes linking the town's businesses to big employers through a council website and councillors talking to employers, showing what services and opportunities are available in the town.

There are also plans to replace replica Darwen Towers on railings in the town centre, revive Mayday traditions such as clog dancing, bringing a mobile farm to the town, and a poster campaign.

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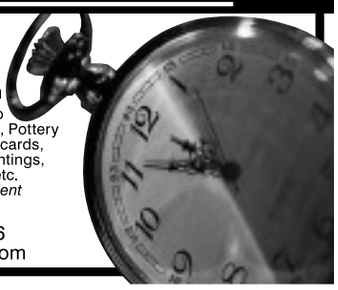

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Arresting performer

A FORMER policeman is returning to East Lancashire in his new role – as an actor.

Retired inspector Clive Cope, 53, who at the peak of his career was force incident manager for Lancashire, took the leap to follow his stage dream in 2006.

He is appearing as part of the ensemble cast in The Rex Roman Pink Floyd Musical Comedy Show, coming to Blackburn's Thwaites Empire Theatre on March 14 as part of a UK tour.

Bury-born Clive said: "Acting and entertaining is in the blood, I have had a lot of support and it is a chance to follow my dream. I'm looking forward to people seeing me but I'm hoping no one will remember me for locking them up! I hope some officers I worked with will come and see the show.

"I'm having the best time of my life. It's a world away from knocking on people's doors delivering bad news.

"Acting is rewarding in a different way. At the end of the night, people applaud."

After leaving the force, Clive began working as an extra until a director spotted him and created a role specifically for him. He has appeared in a number of police roles but before acting full-time he was a compere for after-dinner functions.

ACTOR'S LIFE: Above and right, Clive Cope at work

Bins plea to keep it clean

RESIDENTS in Sudell ward are being told to take their bins in to save tax payers' money.

Ward councillor Roy Davies has made the call after a successful two-day Beatsweep operation involving the council, police, residents groups and volunteers.

Skips were brought into the area to take away rubbish, while volunteers picked up litter, and 60 recyling bins 'contaminated' by ordinary household waste and food were removed.

Coun Davies said: "We really need to emphasise to people the importance of taking responsibility for their own rubbish.

"They also need to take their recyling bins in, because if they get left out, of course someone's going to come along and dump a load of their stuff in it. It will save taxpayers' money if the council don't have to keep doing extra clean-ups."

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Officer joins team

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PC Rachel Pilkington joins neighbourhood policing team to work alongside PCSO Kath Stretton, PC Andy Sarchet and PCSO Mark Skoczen.

The 29-year-old, who has previously worked as a response officer in Great Harwood, joined the force in March 2005. She said: "I am really looking forward to working within the neighbourhood policing team.

"Having worked in Great Harwood for nearly five years I have developed a good knowledge of the neighbourhood and of the residents who live here. As their CBM we will be able to work together to address issues which concern them."

PC Pilkington can be contacted on 01254 353334 or by email greatharwood.npt@lancashire.pnn.police.uk.

HUGE SCHEME: An artist's impression of the 95,000 sq ft plans which would incorporate the Tesco store

£32m Arndale expansion bid

By TOM MOSELEY

PLANS have been unveiled for a £32million extension to Accrington's Arndale Shopping Centre.

The development would create a large supermarket and new car park, creating 450 jobs.

The centre's owners have revealed they are having 'pre planning application' talks with Hyndburn Borough Council.

Plans for the supermarket, which would have an entrance between Eastgate and Broadway, involve a choice between two potential schemes.

One option being considered is a 95,000 square foot store which will be offered to Tesco as an alternative to the Eagle Street store the firm currently has planning permission for.

However the Arndale is also in negotiations with Morrisons regarding a 70,000 square foot store plan which would also include four extra retail units at the shopping centre.

The proposals would also see a new 400-space upper and lower level car park, creating a total of 950 spaces at the Arndale. The new car park would be linked by a bridge to the multi-storey car park with access on Eastgate close to the viaduct roundabout.

The Arndale's owners said that Morrisons had shown a keen interest in the supermarket plan so far and that they believed Tesco was also interested.

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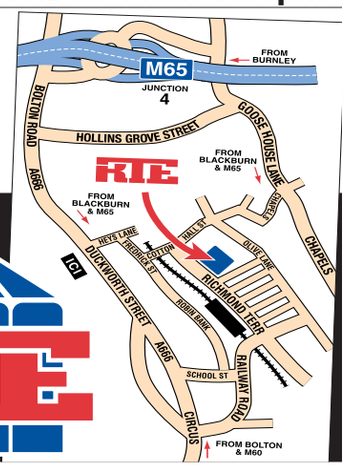

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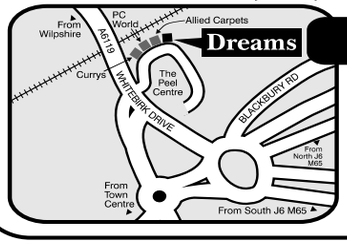

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VIEWS: Euro MP Rachida Dati meets a French teacher wearing the full veil at Tauheedul Islamic School, Blackburn

Visitor in veil debate

By **TOM MOSELEY**

A LEADING French politician who supports banning the full Muslim veil debated the issue with community leaders on a visit to Blackburn.

Rachida Dati, a former French justice minister who is now a Euro MP, toured Blackburn town centre as a guest of MP Jack Straw.

Then, at Tauheedul Islamic School, Randall Street, she held a long discussion with Mr Straw, Tauheedul head Hamid Patel, and Blackburn peer Lord Adam Patel.

She also met a French teacher who wore the full veil.

Ms Dati, a Muslim herself, asked whether Britain's liberal policy caused problems for people looking for jobs.

The headteacher told her: "One of the great things about this country is that there are no barriers. We have coun-cillors and parliamentary candidates wearing the headscarf."

Ms Dati replied: "The fact you have told me there is no issue between men and women, that students are taught all religions, and that you feel British first, before Muslim, is very different.

"In France you cannot possibly become an MP if you wear a headscarf."

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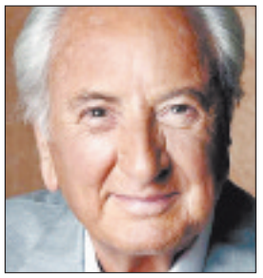

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WOULD YOU SAY YOU ARE A FOOD SNOB?
Definitely not. I don't like all this plate decoration, I don't like all this pomp and circumstance. In the 1950s what you saw was what you got. The meat looked like meat and the veg looked like veg. Today, it's all so ponced about, you don't know what half of it is.

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One-day blues blast

The line-up for Burnley Blues Day in April has been announced, with some of the leading names in British blues taking to the stage.

For the first time, the day-long event replaces the traditional festival, which was hit by a lack of sponsorship.

A full day of performances will be held at Burnley Mechanics on two stages on Saturday, April 3.

Headlining on the main stage will be the Mike Sanchez Band featuring a number of special guests, including Big Boy Bloater, Andy Silvester and Claire Johnson.

Also on the bill will be the James Hunter Band and The Stumble.

Acts featuring on the festival stage include the Blues Devils and Chantel McGregor.

Although this year the main festival stage will be for one day only, fringe venues through the town will be offering live music across the Easter weekend. Main stage tickets are priced £15.

For more details, contact the box offiice on 01282 664400.

HEADLINER: The Mike Sanchez Band and, far left, Chantel McGregor

Cinema round-up

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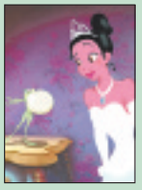

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The Pure Leisure Group event will also be an opportunity to purchase a caravan holiday home at its award-winning nearby caravan parks, Fell End and Hall More, which sit in the Arnside and Silverdale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

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"I always look forward to the open week as it's a chance for people to meet the team and see what's available – whether their budget's £15,000 or £195,000," says John. "It's an especially good opportunity for caravan owners who hope to upgrade to a lodge, which in the long run can work out much better value."

Highlight of the open event will be the unveiling of the Country Homes - the very latest generation holiday home and most luxurious to-date. Just six of the spacious, three-bedroom semi-detached properties will be available to buy at the Village. Based on the upside-down houses on John's exclusive Royal Westmoreland estate in Barbados they offer a rare opportunity to own a beautifully-furnished home in a sought-after location, for just £185,000.

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A family soaks up some lake-side sunshine

For more information on the event or holiday home enquiries in general, contact Andy Crowe on 01524 784784 or visit www.southlakelandleisurevillage.co.uk or www.fellendcaravanpark.co.uk

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Take-It-Away!

A whole new world of food

ADVERTISEMENT FEATURE

Fish 'n' chip shops were the original takeaways, but now we've learnt to love all kinds of cuisine

THERE is nothing more British than fish and chips — eaten with salt and vinegar and, dare we say it, mushy peas — it's one of country's institutions.

No-one really knows, however, where it came from, other than the two were developed separately — the French invented chips and in 1839 Charles Dickens referred to a 'fried fish warehouse' in Oliver Twist.

But the public came to realise that they were a rather tasty combination and so the fish and chip shop was born.

Today, there are thousands of outlets throughout the country, although over the years they have extended their menus to cater for different tastes and you're as likely to be offered sausages and chicken as cod and haddock with your portion of chips.

People have come across fish and chip shops in the strangest places throughout the world — seemingly, there's one on top of a cliff in South Africa where they lower a basket into the sea and hoist up the fish straight from the water below.

For many decades, the fish and chip had the takeaway market to itself, but rapid improvements in travel and the influx of different peoples into the UK has changed the face of the business.

Today, families have an array of takeaway options to choose from including Chinese, Indian, Asian and Italian.

American meals, such as the ubiquitous burger and spicy chicken have also grown in popularity in the high street.

The first restaurant in Manchester's Chinatown opened in 1948 and today figures reveal there are around 5,000 Chinese takeaways serving the changing British palate.

Among the top Chinese takeaway dishes are chow mein, beef in oyster sauce, chicken with cashew nuts, sweet and sour pork and sweet and sour prawns.

The Indian subcontinent's influence on British taste buds has certainly grown over the last century.

Curries, and more recently baltis, have become one of the most popular of British foods, although dishes have been modified from the original recipes to appeal to our more delicate tastebuds.

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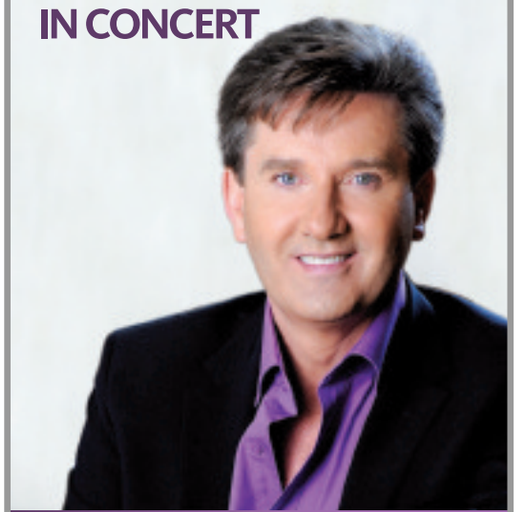

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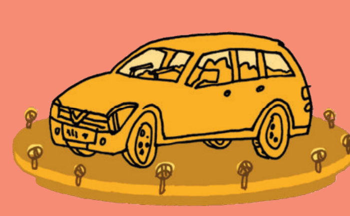

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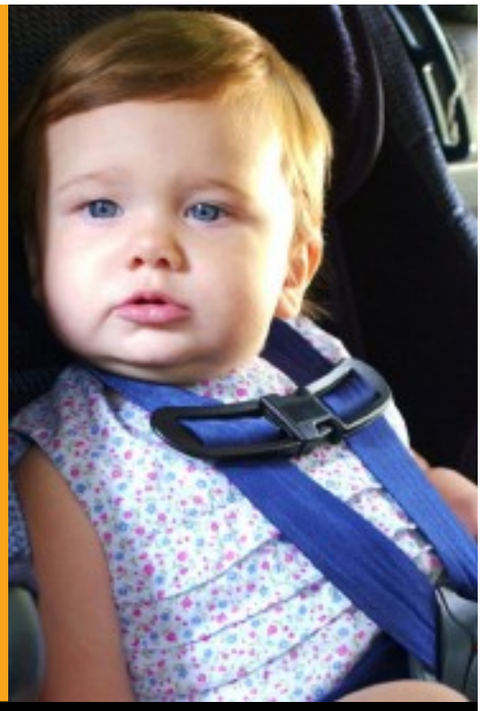

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